Training of serving Pilots of IA/AI

621. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any provisions of sending the serving pilots of the Air India, Indian Airlines and Alliance Air for advanced training;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether pilots receive training on flight simulators of the aircrafts that they are presently flying;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) it not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The airlines impart training to their pilots in accordance with the procedures laid down by the manufactures and approved by DGCA. Air India and Indian Airlines have in-house advance training infrastructure to train their pilots. Therefore, the airlines do not need to send them out for training. However, at the time of induction of a new aircraft, the airlines have to send its pilots for advance training to aircraft manufacturers or to other airlines to get their lincences endorsed on the new type.

(c) and (d) Pilots receive training regularly on the Flight Simulators of the aircraft flown by them, if available, for the purpose of intial endorsement and re-current training.

(e) Does not arise.

Upgradation of airports in Rajasthan

622. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering for upgrading the airports in a phased manner of all major cities in Rajasthan which cater to international tourists;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and